

PROTESTS ON BILL FLOOD CONGRESS

Former Commissioner Explains Misconception of Patent Office Measure.

That inventors and manufacturers who are flooding Congress with protests against the so-called patent office bill have a misconception of the purposes of the measure which probably will be cleared up at the hearing January 5 before the joint Senate and House conference is the opinion of former Patent Commissioner Newton. In a statement today Mr. Newton pointed out that the bill is intended purely as an enabling act, being submissive in character.

"It is desired to bring this out in bold relief," said Mr. Newton, "because therein lies the bill's chief strength. No one has to offer a patent to the Federal Trade Commission for assignment, nor does that body have to accept a single patent. Therefore, the operation of the bill will not in any way interfere with an existing or future method for the handling of patents, in or outside the government service. Furthermore, if for any reason the administration under the bill should prove unwise or undesirable the measure would eliminate itself, because no further patents would be forthcoming for assignment."

Answers Critics of BILL.
Answering the criticism that the bill would put temptations in the way of government employees to steal patents, Mr. Newton said:

"This permissive character of the measure also disposes of the apprehension that employees of the patent office will be eligible to assign patents or inventions for administration hereunder. The bill does not permit the Federal Trade Commission to transgress existing law, which specifically prohibits patent office employees from taking out patents at all."

Concerning other features of the proposed law, Mr. Newton continued: "The Federal Trade Commission was selected as the administrative agency hereunder, because it is an independent branch of the government service reporting directly to Congress, and because the President turned over to it the administration of the enemy-owned patents, thereby establishing within it an organization for doing this sort of work."

Congress Can Better It.
"If Congress, after the operation of the measure proves its worth, should see fit to establish an independent bureau, or other government unit for conducting this work, so much the better. What is aimed at here is centralization of administrative management; thereby avoiding duplication of effort, inefficiency and waste. Let it be repeated that failure to operate successfully will mean automatic annulment."

"A further safeguard is provided in the possibility of an appeal to the executive, in whose discretion the construction of much of the machinery for the bill's operation is left, and final relief can always be found in legislative enactment."

DEPORTATION OF SOVIET AGENTS TO BE POLICY

Secretary Wilson Writes Martens' Attorney of Attitude Toward Russian Government.

Deportation of soviet agents will be in order as long as the Russian government seeks to stir up insurrection against the United States. This policy has been made clear in a letter by Secretary of Labor Wilson to Charles Recht, counsel for Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, soviet agent in the United States, now under sentence of deportation.

The letter was in reply to one from Recht on December 28, relative to the deportation of Martens to Russia, and for which it had previously been announced that the soviet agent would be deported. In his answer the Secretary said he had authorized the department of arrangement for the departure of Martens and "the other persons he desires to go with him."

Secretary Wilson also in his letter branded as "insulting" and as reflecting "the brutal materialistic conception of the dominant group in Russia" intimations said to have been contained in Recht's communication to the effect that profitable trade with Russia was so important in the American mind as to permit "our institutions to be undermined and destroyed and our liberties submerged if we can have but one access to that trade."

In dealing with the question of the deportation of Martens, Secretary Wilson said, the Department of Labor was not concerned with the form of government adopted by or imposed upon the people of Russia, "except in so far as our sympathies go out to those who are oppressed."

FILM COMPANY RECEIVERS

\$54,000 Spent on Unfinished Picture in New York.

NEW YORK, January 1.—Receivers in equity were appointed for the Fox Film Corporation, Motion Picture Manufacturers and Producers, by Judge John C. Knox in federal district court here. The defendant company's assets were given as \$240,000 and the liabilities as \$67,075. The Fox Film Products Company, Inc., in its petition claiming \$2,082, asserted that the defendant company has spent \$54,000 in the production of a picture and that it is unable to continue the production for lack of cash. Cancellation of the Fox Film company's contract with the actress being starred in the picture, as threatened by her, the petition continues, would result in the money thus far invested becoming a total loss.

SAYS LAW WAS IGNORED.

Gov. Allen Criticizes President's Appointment of Militia Chief.

TOPEKA, Kan., January 1.—Gov. Henry J. Allen, when informed that President Wilson had appointed Col. George C. Richards of Oil City, Pa., as chief of the militia bureau of the War Department, declared the President had "ignored the law, which provides that the chief of the militia bureau was to be chosen upon recommendation of the governors of the states."

"Two-thirds of the recommendations sent in by the governors," said Gov. Allen, "asked that Charles I. Martin, adjutant general of Kansas, be appointed, and it is very evident that the intent of the law has been violated."

FALLS HEIR TO WHISKY.

Identity of Man Who Receives 300 Barrels Is Undisclosed.

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., January 1.—A local man, whose identity revenue agents will not disclose, fell heir to an estate valued at many thousands of dollars, but which he terms a "white elephant." The "estate" comprises 800 barrels of choice whisky, manufactured and aged before Mr. Volstead and his act became famous. The man told revenue agents he wanted but three barrels for himself and asked if he could dispose of it.

"He wants to ship it to Mexico, give it away or sell it, but declines to pour it into the gutter. Revenue men here have directed him to the revenue collector at Dallas."

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High or V neck styles, with long sleeves; finished with scalloping and fancy stitching. Pink and blue striped effects, in both regular and extra sizes.

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